

Do I Even Need Ratings To Renew My Certificate?

No, not to renew an existing certificate. When you want to progress (move levels) from the Provisional certificate to the Professional certificate, or when you want to progress from the Professional certificate to the Advanced Professional certificate, then your ratings will come into play.

Note that the law set down different time frames for each of these. Here's a quick look:

As of	Ratings are required to:
January 1, 2017	Progress from the Professional certificate to the Advanced Professional certificate
July 1, 2018	Progress from the Provisional certificate to the Professional certificate

To clarify further, you do not need these ratings if you are renewing an interim occupational, occupational, or school administrator certificate. You do not need them to renew a school guidance counselor license, or school psychologist license, either. You might still see some ratings because you have worked in a role before that earned a rating; MOECS is displaying whatever information is available for you.